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*New Frontiers*  
*Announcement of Opportunity*  
*NASA Launch Services*

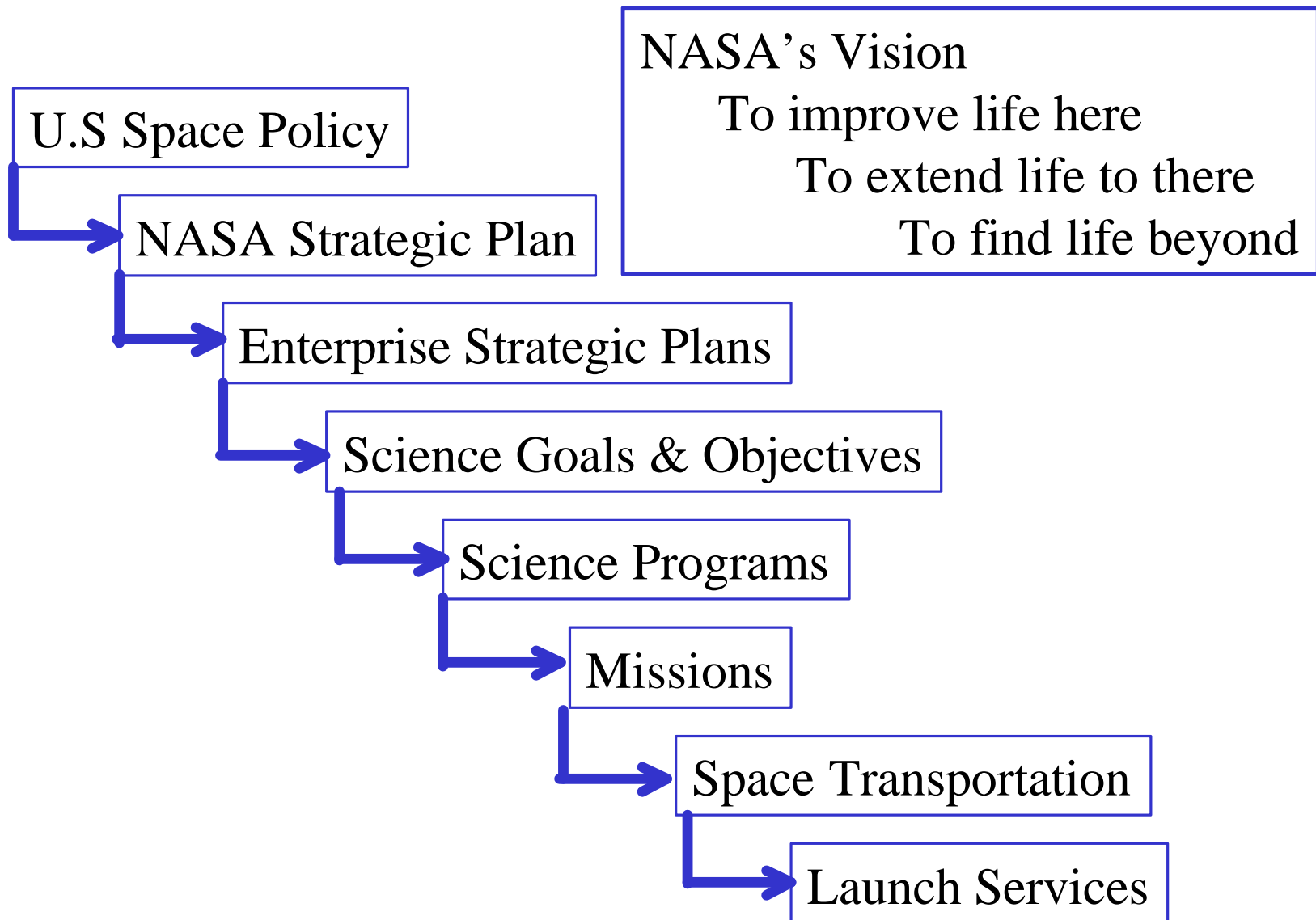
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Office of Space Flight  
Space Access

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# National Space Policy to Launch Service

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## Launch Services Organization

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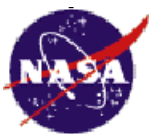
- The Launch Services Program is Responsible for:
  - **Identify and Aggregate Agency Launch Requirements**
  - **Assure Access to Space on All Available Launch Systems**
    - Shuttle
    - DOD
    - Commercial Launch Vehicles
    - Foreign Vehicles
  - **OSF is the front door to Agency/DOD payload customers**
  - **Lead HQ strategy for meeting requirements/managing priorities/conflicts**
  - **Integrate manifest process for both Shuttle and ELV**
  - **Program Direction for Launch Service Program**
  - **Identify/acquire new launch services**
  - **Agency technical lead for space transportation policy discussions**
  - **Provide Single Interface for Enterprise Payload Customer at Headquarters**
  - **Space Access manifest - NASA Flight Planning Board**



# **NASA LAUNCH SERVICE PRIMARY PAYLOAD**

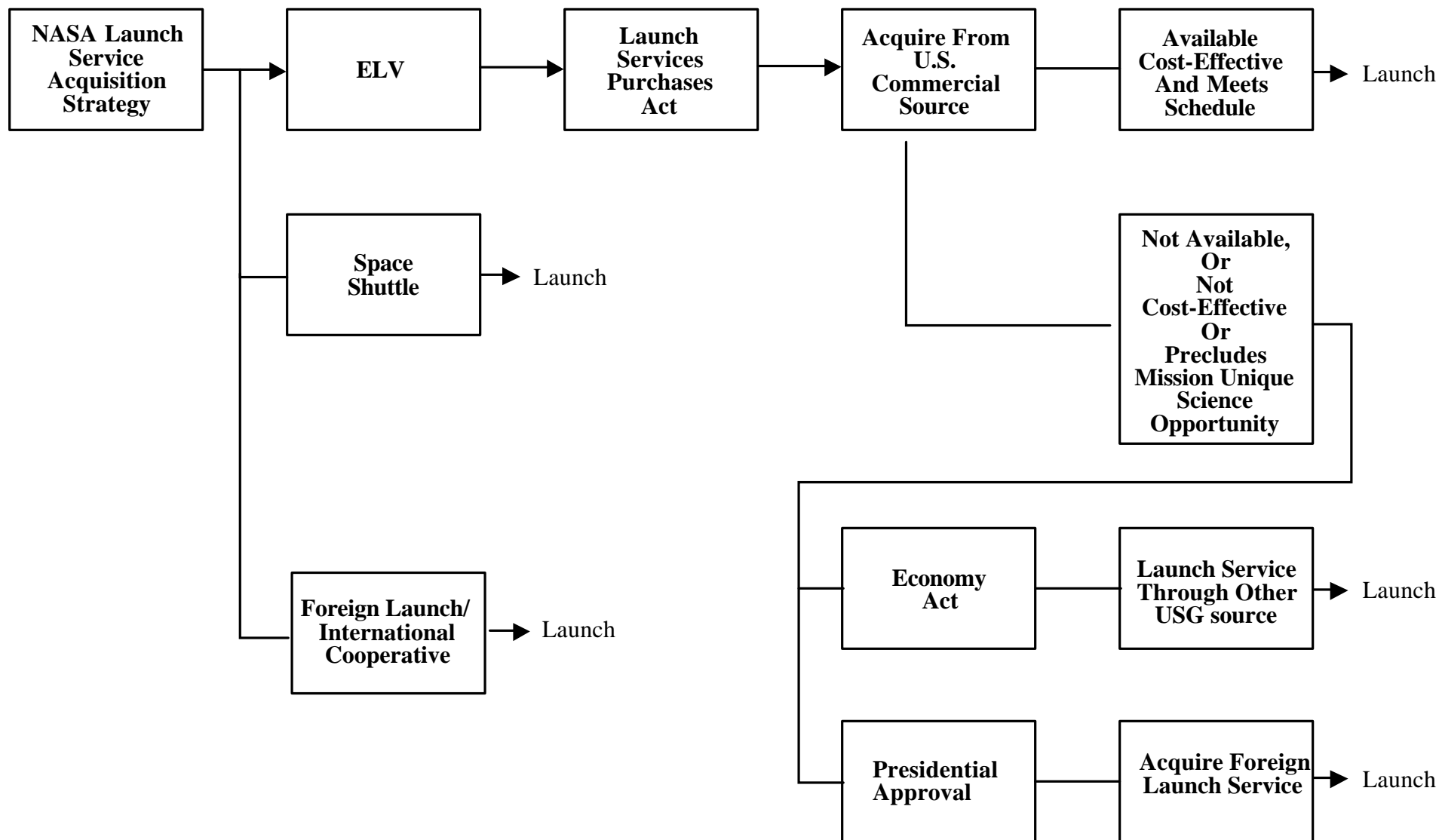
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- **SCIENCE ENTERPRISE AO**
  - **PROPOSALS TO MEET SCIENTIFIC OBJECTIVES OF THE AGENCY**
  - **AO PROVIDES GUIDELINES FOR SPACECRAFT AND LAUNCH VEHICLE**
- **THE PROPOSAL(S) SELECTION ON SCIENTIFIC MERIT**
- **SCIENCE ENTERPRISE BRINGS THE NEW REQUIREMENT TO THE FLIGHT PLANNING BOARD**
- **LAUNCH SERVICE REQUIREMENT EVALUATED BY FLIGHT PLANNING BOARD**
  - **RISK**
  - **LAUNCH DATE**
  - **LAUNCH VEHICLE (Availability, launch history)**
  - **LAUNCH SERVICE CONTRACT**
- **KSC LEAD CENTER TO PROCURE & MANAGE LAUNCH SERVICE**



# NASA Launch Alternatives

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- **Domestic Expendable Launch Services - Procured and managed by NASA**
- **Two service providers - Intermediate & Heavy performance classes**
- **AO Proposers - Dual compatible with both families of launch vehicles within the proposed performance class**
- **AO Proposers should not attempt to discern differences in risk or costs within each launch vehicle performance class**
- **Launch Service costs – Costs for vehicle classes are provided in the New Frontiers AO Library**



## Alternate Launch Services

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- **Foreign Launch Services**
  - **International Cooperative Agreement – No funds exchanged basis**
  - **Non Nuclear Payloads Only**
  - **Address export control & technology transfer issues**
  - **Launch vehicle availability**
  - **Consistent with NASA NPD 8610.7**
    - **Flight history**
    - **Technical risk mitigation**
    - **Costs - Technical insight & risk mitigation**
    - **Evaluated on case-by case basis**
- **Dual manifest or secondary payloads on domestic LV's will not be considered under this AO**



## NASA ELV Policies

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- NASA Launch Services is governed/driven by the following Agency-level NASA Policy Directives (NPD):
  - NPD 8610.7, Launch Services Risk Mitigation Policy for NASA-Owned Or NASA-Sponsored Payloads
  - NPD 8610.23A, Technical Oversight of Expendable Launch Vehicle (ELV) Launch Services
  - NPD 8610.24A, Expendable Launch Vehicle (ELV) Launch Services Pre-launch Readiness Reviews





# **NASA LAUNCH RISK MITIGATION POLICY**

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- **LAUNCH SERVICES RISK MITIGATION POLICY FOR NASA-OWNED OR NASA SPONSORED PAYLOADS (NPD 8610.7 2/4/99)**
- **ESTABLISHES PROCESS TO ASSESS MISSION RISK BASED ON VEHICLE MATURITY AND DEMONSTRATED FLIGHT HISTORY**
- **THREE CATEGORIES OF RISK:**
  - **CAT 1: MISSIONS DEEMED NON MISSION CRITICAL CAN BE CONSIDERED FOR FLIGHT ON VEHICLES WITH NO FLIGHT HISTORY**
  - **CAT 2: MISSIONS DEEMED MISSION CRITICAL TO ENTERPRISE STRATEGIC PLAN AND OF MODERATE COST/COMPLEXITY CAN BE FLOWN ON NASA-ACQUIRED SERVICES WITH AT LEAST ONE DEMONSTRATED FLIGHT**
  - **CAT 3: MISSIONS DEEMED MISSION CRITICAL WITH COMPLEX INTERFACE AND HIGHER COST TO BE FLOWN ON VEHICLES WITH DEMONSTRATED FLIGHT HISTORY (14 CONSECUTIVE FLIGHTS)**



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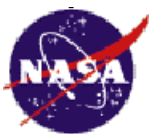
- **Launch Services includes:**
  - **Launch Vehicle**
  - **Standard Services**
  - **Non-Standard services (mission unique options)**
  - **Payload Processing Facility**
  - **Nominal mission specific modifications**
  - **Launch service technical management**
  - **All NASA insight, oversight, & approvals**
  - **Telemetry**
  - **Safety and mission assurance**
  - **Independent launch service assessment**
  - **Launch campaign and day-of-launch management**
- **Nuclear Missions includes:**
  - **Databooks**
  - **Launch site accommodations for nuclear materials**
  - **Material handling/logistics by DOE**
  - **Range Safety requirements**



## **LAUNCH SERVICE EVALUATION**

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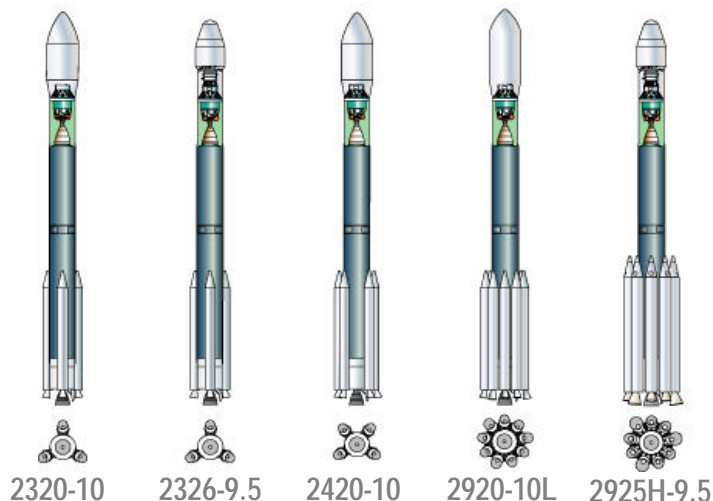
- **AO Proposers must coordinate with NASA KSC Launch Services – Input directly from commercial Launch Service Providers will not be considered/evaluated**
  
- **Evaluation of Launch Services includes:**
  - **Overall assessment**
  - **Performance (Margin)**
  - **LV to SC Interface**
    - **PLF**
    - **Mechanical Interface**
    - **Environments**
    - **Mission Unique Modifications**
  - **Cost**



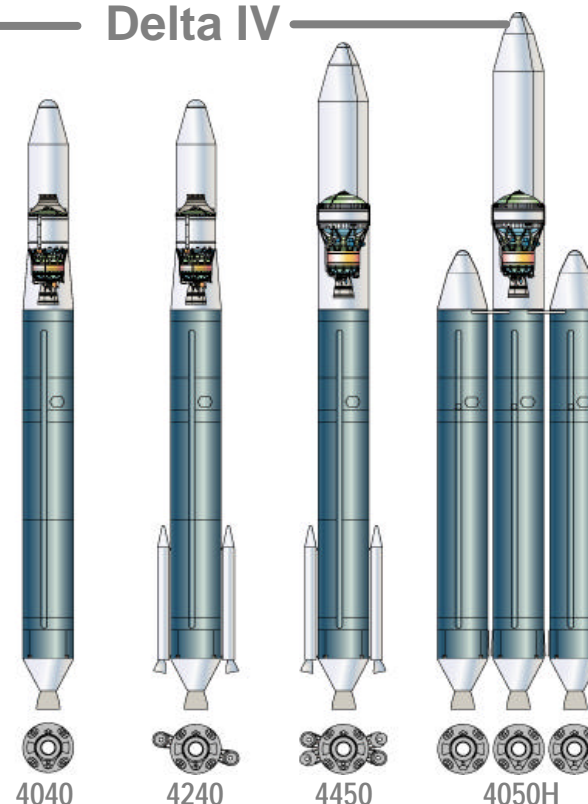
# NASA Launch Services – The Boeing Company

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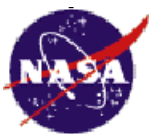
### Delta II



### Delta IV




Launch Service		Delta II Medium/Medium Lite			Delta II	Delta II	Delta IV			Delta IV H
Generic LV Performance <sup>2</sup> (kg)										
LEO (500km, 28.5deg)		2,460	N/A	2,855	4,450	N/A	8,690	11,575	13,100	23,165
SSO (500km)		1,755	N/A	2,120	3,305	N/A	6,915	9,410	10,930	21,040
GTO (35,788km, 28.5deg)		N/A	925	N/A	N/A	2,170	3,985	5,630	6,345	12,650
High Energy	$C_3 = 0 \text{ km}^2/\text{s}^2$	N/A	600	N/A	N/A	1,525	2,735	4,075	4,580	9,305
	$C_3 = 10 \text{ km}^2/\text{s}^2$	N/A	490	N/A	N/A	1,235	2,115	3,275	3,685	7,810




# NASA Launch Services - LMCLS

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Atlas V




**40X**




**50X**




**51X**




**52X**



**53X**



**54X**



**55X**

**Number Scheme:**

1<sup>st</sup> digit: 4 = 4m Fairing  
5 = 5m Fairing

2<sup>nd</sup> digit: # of Strap-on Solid Rocket Boosters

3<sup>rd</sup> digit: 1 = (SEC) Single Engine Centaur  
2 = (DEC) Dual Engine Centaur

Launch Service		Atlas V						
Generic LV Performance <sup>2</sup> (kg):								
LEO (500km, 28.5deg)		9,445/11,500	9,540 (DEC)	9,880/11,490	12,180/13,735	14,045/15,840	15,715/17,450	17,145/18,910
SSO (500km)		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
GTO (35,788km, 28.5deg)		4,765 (SEC)	3,880 (SEC)	5,175 (SEC)	6,180 (SEC)	7,105 (SEC)	7,880 (SEC)	8,570 (SEC)
High	$C_3 = 0 \text{ km}^2/\text{s}^2$	3,445 (SEC)	2,680 (SEC)	3,765 (SEC)	4,545 (SEC)	5,210 (SEC)	5,820 (SEC)	6,330 (SEC)
Energy	$C_3 = 10 \text{ km}^2/\text{s}^2$	2,840 (SEC)	2,150 (SEC)	3,100 (SEC)	3,765 (SEC)	4,345 (SEC)	4,865 (SEC)	5,300 (SEC)

# NASA LAUNCH SERVICES MANIFEST

APPROVED  
FLIGHT PLANNING  
BOARD 9/15/03

	CY '03	CY '04	CY '05	CY '06	CY '07	CY '08	CY '09	CY '10
<b>SECONDARY (S)</b> <b>•DELTA (D/S)</b> <b>•TAURUS (T/S)</b>		TBD SPACETECH 5 NET 12/04 DIS ProSEDS -NET 5/04						
<b>•SMALL CLASS (SC)</b> <b>•PEGASUS (P)</b> <b>•TAURUS (SH)</b>	 SORCE - 1/25  GALEX - 4/28  SCISAT - 8/12	 DART - 10/18		 AIM - 9/06  GLORY* - 12/06*	 SC SPACETECH 8 - 6/07  T Orbiting Carbon Observatory - 8/07  P SMEX-10 - 8/07	 GEOSPACE ITM-8/08  SC SMEX-11 - 8/08		 GEOSPACE RBM-8/10  T GPMC - 4Q/10  SC SMEX-12 - 8/10
<b>•MEDIUM CLASS (MC)</b> <b>•DELTA 7325/7320 (D3)</b> <b>•DELTA 7425/7426 (D4)</b> <b>•DELTA 7920/7925 (D)</b> <b>•DELTA 7920 H (DH)</b> <b>•TITAN II (T-II) - VAFB</b>	 D3 ICESAT/CHIPS 1/12  D MER A - 6/10  DH MER B - 7/7  DH SIRTf - 8/25  D GPB - NET 12/0	 D AURA - NET 2/6  D4 SWIFT - NET 4/29  DH MESSENGER - 5/11  D3 NOAA-N - NET 9/15  D DEEP IMPACT - 12/30	 D4 CLOUDSAT/CALIPSO NET 1/29*  D3 NOAA-N* - 10/05  D STEREO - 11/15	 DH DAWN - 5/06  D THEMIS (MIDEX-5) 8/06  DH NPP-BRIDGE - 10/08  D3 OCEAN SURFACE TOPOGRAPHY - 12/06	 DH GLAST - 2/07  D3 STSS - 7/07  D OSS OPP - 8/07  DH PHOENIX - 8/9 (MARS SCOUT)  D KEPLER - 10/07  D4(T*) WISE (MIDEX-6) 12/07	 D3 AQUARIUS - 3/08	 DH* MMS - 1/09  D* DISCOVERY 11 2/09  D* GEC - 9/30  D MARS TELECOM* 10/09  D4* MIDEX-7 - 12/09	 D4* MIDEX-8 - 12/10
<b>•INTERMEDIATE (IC) / HEAVY CLASS (HC)</b> <b>•ATLAS (AIII&amp;AV)</b> <b>•DELTA (DIII&amp;IV)</b> <b>•DELTA IV HEAVY (IVH)</b>		 DIV GOES-N - 12/1	 DIV GOES-O - 12/05  AV MARS RECON ORBITER - 8/10	 AV-H NEW HORIZONS 1/11  IC X-37* - 7/06	 DIV GOES-P - 4/07	 IC SDO - 4/08  IC NEW FRONTIERS 12/08  HC* OSP DEMO - 4Q/08	 IC MARS SCIENCE LAB - 10/09*  HC SIM - 12/09	 HC* OSP* - 4Q/10

\* FOR NASA PLANNING PURPOSES  
\*\* FAILURE

= OSS  
 = OES

= OSF  
 = OAT

= OBPR  
 = DOD REIMBURSABLE

= VAFB LAUNCH